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VEHICLE WITH A RAMP FOR A WHEELCHAIR

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please enter the following amendments to the specification, claims and abstract, as amended by way of Annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report for PCT/EP99/05741, prior to the examination of the application during the U.S. National Phase, prior to the examination of the application.

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

A substitute specification is submitted herewith.

Please cancel all claims presently in the application and substitute new claims 6-13 as follows:



--6. (New) A vehicle with a ramp for a wheelchair, the ramp pivoting about a connection from a lowered position in which the ramp forms one surface with the vehicle floor and is accommodated by a floor section that is lower than the vehicle floor, towards